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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejections and objection is respectfully requested.

In connection with the drawings, attached are figures 1 and 2 showing proposed changes. Applicant had indicated in the previous proposed change to figure 1 corrections to the lead lines for numerals 18 and 20, and this correction has been highlighted on the attached sheet. As well, applicant proposes to correct the lead lines for numerals 50 and 44 as shown. It is submitted that the ends of the rods 32 and 34 are correctly shown in figure 1. These ends are split, and the part on the bottom of the levers would not be seen in phantom lines because it would be coincident with the part on the tops of the levers. The specification has been amended to refer to phantom lines in figure 2, and to refer to the ends of the brake shoes in figure 1.

Reconsideration of the rejection of the claims as unpatentable over Spiller is respectfully requested. Spiller does not shows the anchor arrangement claimed and, instead shows a structure having separate anchor pins, which is a decidedly different structure. It would not have been obvious to modify the Spiller structure to obtain the claimed structure.

Accordingly, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication thereof is respectfully requested. The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any matter remains outstanding.

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All necessary extensions of time are requested. Please charge any necessary fees and credit any excess to deposit account 50-1088.

Respectfully Submitted,
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